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Conversion Factors and Datums

Multiply	By	To obtain
Length		
foot (ft)	0.3048	meter (m)
Flow rate		
cubic foot per second (ft ³ /s)	0.02832	cubic meter per second (m ³ /s)

Temperature in degrees Celsius (°C) may be converted to degrees Fahrenheit (°F) as follows:

$$^{\circ}\text{F} = (1.8 \times ^{\circ}\text{C}) + 32$$

Vertical coordinate information is referenced to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 (NGVD29).

Horizontal coordinate information is referenced to the North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83).

Concentrations of chemical constituents in water are given in milligrams per liter (mg/L).

Abbreviations and Acronyms

CMP	corrugated metal pipe
col/100 mL	colonies per 100 milliliters
GPS	global positioning system
NPS	National Park Service
NWQL	National Water Quality Laboratory
PVC	polyvinyl chloride
RV	recreational vehicle
USGS	U.S. Geological Survey

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Abstract

During 2002, a baseline study of hydrologic conditions was conducted, and selected features were mapped within the Mt. Pisgah campground on the Blue Ridge Parkway in Haywood County, North Carolina. Field surveys were performed by using global positioning system equipment one time (January 2002) during the study to locate hydrologic and other types of features in the study area. Water-level and streamflow data and seasonal water-quality samples were collected from a stream that receives all surface-water drainage from the campground area. During 2002, water levels (stage) in the stream ranged from 1.09 to 1.89 feet above gage datum (4,838.06 to 4,838.86 feet above mean sea level). Flow in the stream ranged from 0.05 to 9.7 cubic feet per second. Annual daily mean flow for calendar year 2002 was approximately 0.35 cubic foot per second (about 226,000 gallons per day). Samples collected from the stream had low concentrations of all constituents measured. Four compounds associated with human activity (camphor, N,N-diethyl-meta-toluamide (the insect repellent DEET), tributylphosphate, and methylsalicylate) were detected in the stream samples; however, concentrations were less than detection levels. Stream samples collected in April and September and analyzed for fecal coliform bacteria had densities of 76 and 110 colonies per 100 milliliters of water, respectively. No violations of water-quality standards were noted for any constituent measured in the stream samples.

Seven shallow ground-water wells were installed near a natural area in the center of the campground. Ground-water levels measured periodically in these wells and in two existing shallow piezometers generally were highest in the spring and lowest in the fall. Water temperature, pH, and specific conductance were measured in samples collected from the shallow wells in April and September 2002. Measured pH values were consistently lowest in samples from two wells on the west side of the natural area and highest in samples from the well located near the center of the natural area. Specific-conductance values measured in samples from wells on the east side of the natural area were lower than those measured in samples from the other wells. Specific-conductance values measured in samples from two wells on the west side and from one well near the center of the natural area generally were two to three times higher than the specific-conductance values measured in samples from wells on the east side of the natural area.

Samples for fecal coliform bacteria were collected from six wells on September 11, 2002. The fecal coliform densities in samples from most of the wells were less than or equal to 8 colonies per 100 milliliters. Samples from two of the three wells on the west side of the natural area had coliform densities of 16 and 480 colonies per 100 milliliters.

Other ground-water samples collected on September 11 and September 24 were analyzed with a spectrophotometer in the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) North Carolina District Office for nitrate concentrations only. From the samples collected on September 11, estimated nitrate concentrations of 1 milligram per liter or less were detected in three wells, two on the west side and one on the east side of the natural area. Nitrate was not detected with a spectrophotometer in any of the ground-water samples collected on September 24. Indicator test strips also were used in the field to screen for nitrate and nitrite in ground-water samples collected on September 24. Nitrate was detected by test strips in one well on the west side of the natural area, with estimated concentrations of 1 milligram per liter or less indicated. Nitrite was not detected by the test strips in samples collected from any of the wells.

Introduction

The National Park Service (NPS) manages and maintains all areas within the boundaries of the Blue Ridge Parkway. The NPS operates a seasonal campground in the mountains of North Carolina that is located near Mt. Pisgah within the boundaries of the Blue Ridge Parkway (fig. 1). NPS managers are concerned that the Mt. Pisgah campground and nearby Pisgah Inn Lodge may potentially affect the quality of water in a small wetland that lies within a natural area located in the center of the campground (fig. 2). Little is known about the existing hydrologic and water-quality conditions of the small natural area at the Mt. Pisgah campground. Improved knowledge of the basic hydrology in the natural area was needed before determinations could be made pertaining to the possible effects resulting from the operation of the surrounding campground and other nearby facilities.

Purpose and Scope

In 2002, the USGS, in cooperation with the NPS, conducted a 1-year study to gain a better understanding of the hydrology within the Mt. Pisgah campground. The focus of the study was on the natural area located in the center of the campground. In an effort to define basic hydrologic conditions, surface- and ground-water data were collected in the study area from late 2001 to early 2003; however, discussions in this report are limited to data collected during calendar year 2002. Data collected before and after calendar year 2002 are published in USGS Annual Data Reports for North Carolina for water years 2002 and 2003 (Ragland and others, 2004a, 2004b; Howe and others, 2003 [published annually]). As part of this study, a map of the campground area was generated using global positioning system (GPS) surveying equipment. The general extent of the natural area, structures, and other features were mapped as a part of this effort (fig. 3).

Water-levels were monitored continuously in a small stream that carries all surface-water drainage from the campground area (fig. 2). Periodic measurements of streamflow were made at this stream site to develop a stage/discharge relation and thereby quantify surface-water drainage from the campground area. Water-quality samples were collected from the stream twice during the study. Ground-water levels were measured periodically in seven shallow wells and two piezometers in the study area (fig. 2). Field measurements of pH, specific conductance, and water temperature were obtained from ground-water samples collected from the seven shallow wells.

Although beyond the original scope of this study, additional water samples were collected from the stream and six of the shallow wells (wells 2–7) in September 2002 for analysis of fecal coliform bacteria and nitrate. The additional samples that were analyzed for fecal coliform were collected on September 11, and samples analyzed for nitrate concentrations only were collected on September 11 and September 24. The additional samples collected for nitrate were analyzed with a spectrophotometer in the USGS North Carolina District Office. Indicator test strips also were used in the field to screen for nitrate and nitrite in samples collected on September 24. Unlike the analytical results reported for stream samples by the USGS National Water Quality Laboratory (NWQL) for this study, nitrate and nitrite concentrations derived by spectrophotometer analysis performed in the USGS North Carolina District Office and indicator test strips used in the field are considered to be more qualitative than quantitative. As a result, nitrate and nitrite concentrations that were determined with a spectrophotometer in the USGS North Carolina District Office or with indicator test strips are presented in this report as estimates.

Description of Study Area

Mt. Pisgah lies within the NPS boundaries along the Blue Ridge Parkway in Buncombe and Haywood Counties of North Carolina (fig. 1). Near Mt. Pisgah, at Blue Ridge Parkway mile mark 408.6, the Pisgah Inn Lodge, a motel and restaurant for Parkway visitors, is operated under a concessions contract with the NPS (fig. 2). A number of related facilities, including a camp store, gift shop, gas station, employee dormitories, and paved parking areas, are located at the Pisgah Inn (National Park Service, written commun., March 5, 2003). On the west side of the Blue Ridge Parkway near the Pisgah Inn, at mile mark 408.8, the NPS also operates a small seasonal campground. Each year the campground at Mt. Pisgah opens around the first of May and closes at the end of October (National Park Service, oral commun., January 2004).

The Mt. Pisgah campground is located in a bowl-shaped valley that slopes downward to the northwest and has 70 tent campsites and 67 recreational vehicle (RV) permitted campsites (figs. 2, 3). Several comfort stations with cold running water, bathrooms, and utility sinks are located in the campground. An RV sanitary dump station is located on the southwest side of the campground area. Access roads within the campground area are paved and roughly form the shape of a horseshoe (fig. 2). Elevation changes of more than 50 feet (ft) occur along the horseshoe-shaped layout of the access roads; the open end of the horseshoe is the lowest in elevation and the rounded end is the highest. There are three loop roads that provide access to camping areas— Loop A, Loop B, and Loop C (fig. 2).

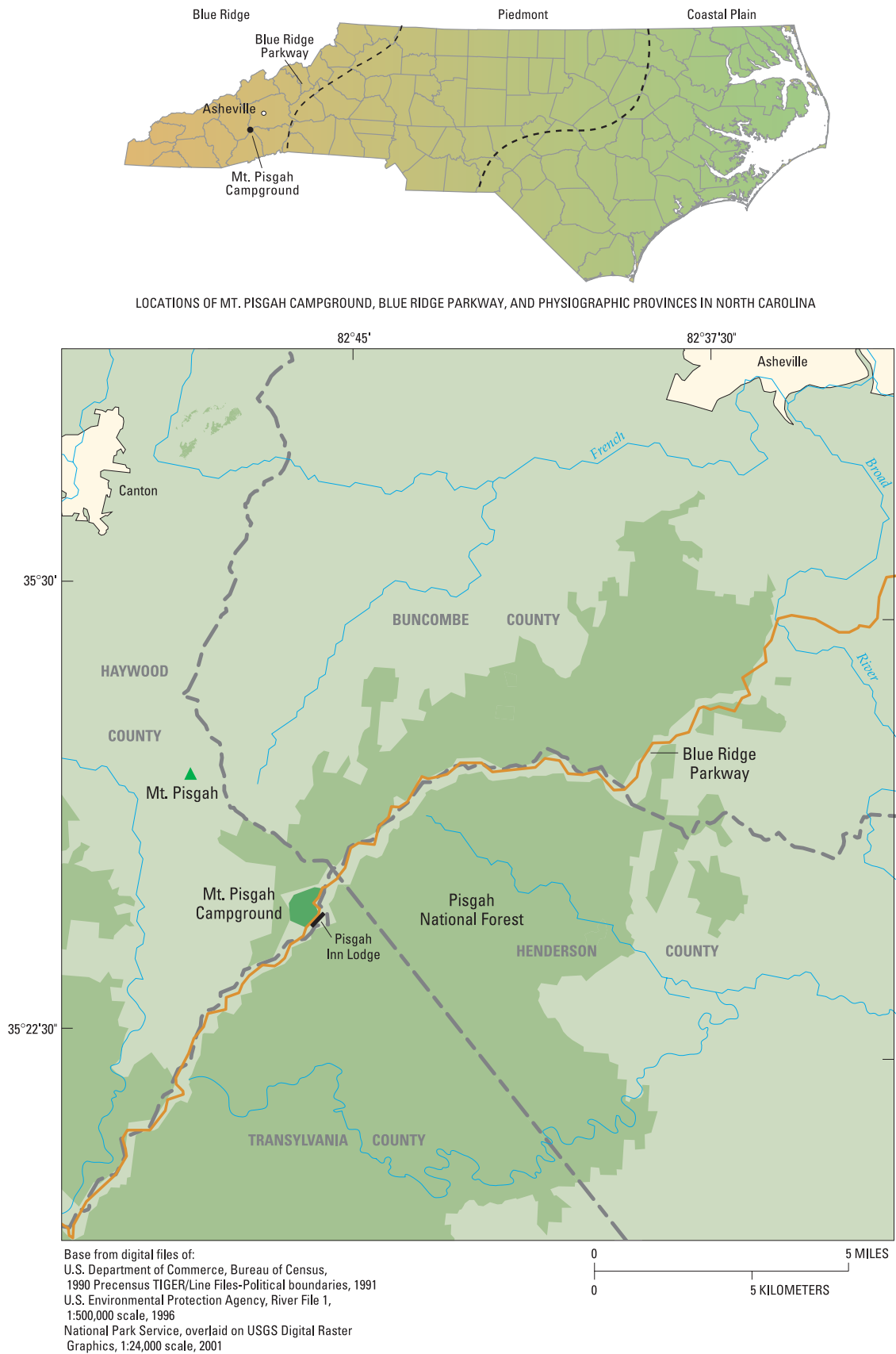
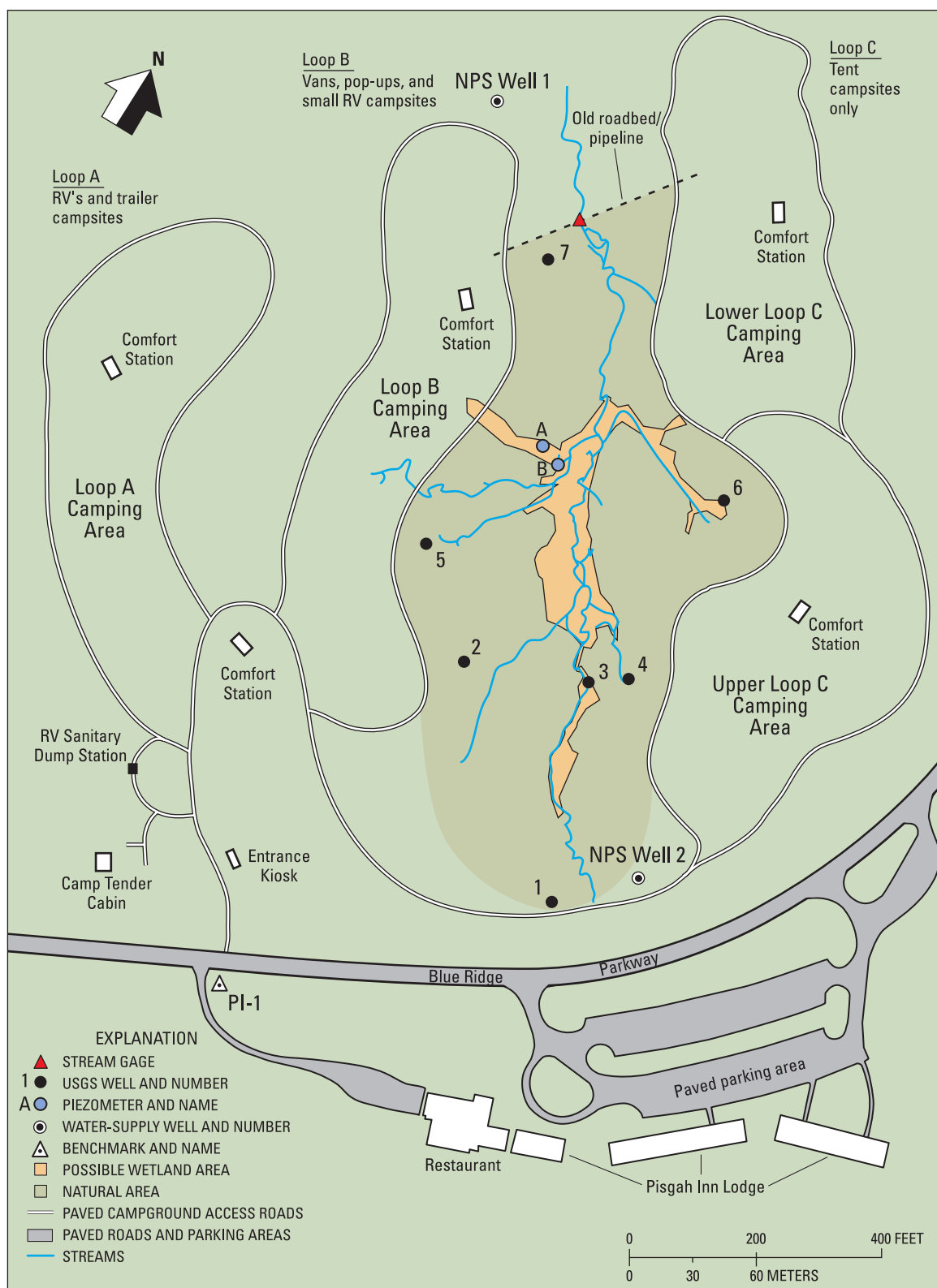
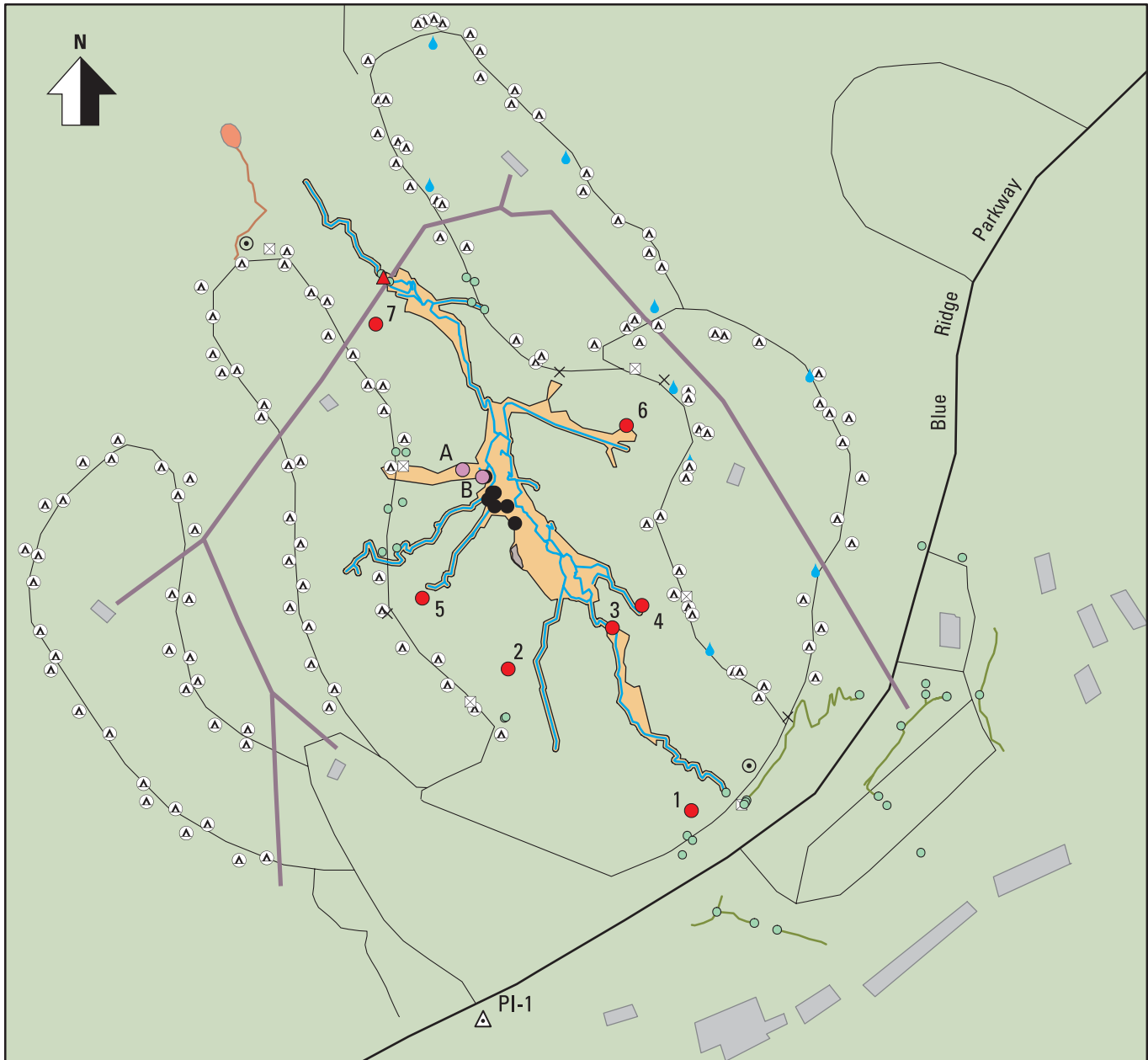


Figure 1. Location of the Mt. Pisgah campground in Haywood County, North Carolina.



Base from:
Mt. Pisgah Developed Area Utilities Upgrade Plan,
U.S. National Park Service

Figure 2. Selected features and data-collection sites at the Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.



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EXPLANATION

- | | |
|----------------|------------------------------|
| Fire circle | USGS well and number |
| Gravel seep | Piezometer and name |
| Wetland | Other Piezometer |
| Buildings | NPS supply wells |
| Stream | Culverts |
| Drainage ditch | Water pump |
| Walking path | Campsites |
| Roads | Survey reference mark |
| Sewer line | Survey PK nail |
| Stream gage | NC Geodetic Survey benchmark |

Figure 3. Mt. Pisgah campground area map produced by a global positioning system survey in January 2002.

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In the center of the campground, between Loops B and C, is a low-lying natural area that occupies about 10.5 acres. This valley floor area is covered extensively in rhododendron and other vegetation. These plants form very dense undergrowth throughout much of the natural area. An approximately 2-acre wetland lies within this heavily vegetated area.

The low-lying natural area in the center of the campground is intermittently wet, and the ground surface is irregular with undulations of a few feet in some areas. The area is encircled on three sides by paved access roads and bounded on the downstream side by an old roadbed that connects Loops B and C near the northern end of the campground (fig. 2). A culvert underneath the old roadbed conveys surface-water drainage from the natural area. A footpath, power lines, and an iron pipeline follow the course of the old roadbed.

Surface water in the natural area generally flows from the southeast to the northwest. Several very small streams originate in and meander through the natural area. Some of these small streams are less than 1 ft wide. During precipitation events, the natural area receives runoff from most of the campground area. Some stormwater runoff from paved surfaces along the Blue Ridge Parkway near the Pisgah Inn Lodge flows into the natural area through several culverts and other drainage structures. Wastewater from the Pisgah Inn Lodge and campground comfort stations flows through a wastewater pipeline system to a treatment facility that is located about 1,200 ft north of the lower Loop C. Two water-supply wells in the campground area serve the Pisgah Inn Lodge, campground, comfort stations, and related facilities (NPS wells 1 and 2, fig. 2). Well records indicate that NPS well 1 was drilled to a depth of 185 ft and NPS well 2 was drilled to a depth of 400 ft below land surface. Both of these bedrock wells are cased through the shallow ground-water system.

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Methods

Surface- and ground-water data were collected and a map of the campground area was produced during the study. The methods used to collect stage, streamflow, and water-quality data from the stream draining the campground area are described in this section. In addition, procedures used to collect ground-water-level and ground-water-quality data are described. The methods used for mapping the area near the campground also are described in this section.

Mapping

Using GPS equipment, field surveys were conducted one time (January 2002) during the study period to locate hydrologic and other features in the campground area. Manmade features, including roads, comfort stations, public water-supply wells, stormwater drainage-system components, and campsite parking areas, were located and mapped. Data-collection sites, stream channels and the general boundaries of wetland areas were included in the hydrologic features that were mapped (fig. 3).

Field surveys were conducted by using a portable backpack style GPS unit to collect satellite positioning data for each feature. Wet soils and/or changes in vegetation were used to identify and map wetland areas. Extremely dense vegetation limited access and prevented complete mapping of the entire natural area. As a result, wetland areas, stream channels, and other features may be more extensive than indicated on the map in figure 3. Features, such as roads, pipelines, and drainage ditches, were mapped only near the study area. Truncation of these types of features in figure 3 may indicate where GPS field survey and mapping efforts ended. Surveyed features were verified against areal photography for accuracy. Adjustments were made where needed to match locations in the aerial photography. All GPS surveys were based on North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83) data with a minimum reception of three satellites. Horizontal accuracy tolerances of the GPS unit used were within 10 ft.

Streamwater Levels and Streamflow

Water level (stage) and flow (discharge) in the stream draining the campground area were monitored from January 1 to December 31, 2002. An old access road that connects Loops B and C partially impounds surface-water drainage from the natural area (fig. 2). Immediately upstream from the old access road, several small streams converge into a single channel before flowing through two corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culverts that pass beneath the old roadbed (fig. 4). On the downstream side of the culvert, water empties into a small natural pool before flowing into a single, well-defined channel.

A USGS streamgaging station was constructed at the downstream side of the culvert (fig. 5) to monitor stage fluctuations in the stream flowing from the natural area in the center of the campground. This stream site was identified as Unnamed Tributary to Pisgah Creek at Flat Laurel Gap, N.C., with USGS station number 0345638607. A steel enamel staff gage was installed in the stream at the downstream side of the culvert. Stage in the stream was monitored by a pressure transducer that was referenced to the staff gage and recorded by instrumentation housed in the gage shelter. Stage data were recorded at 15-minute intervals using an arbitrary gage datum. Recorded stage readings and the staff gage in the stream were set so that a stage of 0.00 ft in gage datum represented a corresponding water-surface elevation of 4,836.97 ft above mean sea level (referenced in this report to National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929 [NGVD29]). The mean sea level elevation of gage datum was determined by level surveys based on a nearby North Carolina Geodetic Survey benchmark (PI-1 1994).

Streamflow was measured periodically in the stream channel near the gaging station. All streamflow measurements were made with a standard current meter using established USGS techniques and procedures (Rantz and others, 1982). A stage/discharge relation, based on measurements of streamflow, was developed for the site.

Streamwater Quality

Two sets of water-quality samples were collected from the stream and analyzed for major ions, nutrients, wastewater compounds, fecal coliform bacteria, and selected metals. These samples were collected strategically during different seasons of the year so that analytical results could provide indications of the presence or absence of human influence on the quality of water flowing from the campground area. The first set of samples was collected from the stream on April 23, 2002, at a time when the campground was inactive and had been closed for about 6 months. The second set of samples was collected on September 11, 2002, at a time when the campground was open and had been in use for about 4½ months. An additional stream sample was collected on September 24, 2002, for analysis with a spectrophotometer for nitrate concentrations only. The sample collected on September 24 was supplemental and used for comparison to ground-water samples that were collected on the same date.

All water-quality samples taken from the stream were collected at the upstream side of the culvert. Raw or unfiltered water samples were collected in bottles by hand. For dissolved constituent analyses, water was pumped directly from the stream and filtered onsite using a peristaltic pump and an in-line cartridge filter. Water temperature, pH, and specific conductance were measured in the field using a multiprobe instrument when samples were collected. Values of dissolved oxygen and alkalinity also were determined in the field during sample collection.

Most water-quality samples collected from the stream were analyzed at the NWQL in Denver, Colo. In addition to major ions, nutrients, and selected metals, stream samples were analyzed at the NWQL for 67 compounds typically found in domestic and industrial wastewater. These compounds included surfactants, food additives, fragrances, antioxidants, flame retardants, plasticizers, industrial solvents, disinfectants, fecal sterols, polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons, and high-use domestic pesticides (Zaug and others, 2002). Samples collected for fecal coliform bacteria were analyzed by the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources laboratory in Asheville, N.C. Supplemental stream samples collected on September 11 and September 24 were analyzed for nitrate concentrations only using a spectrophotometer at the USGS District Office in Raleigh, N.C. Indicator test strips also were used in the field on September 24 to screen for nitrate and nitrite in the stream. In this report, all nitrate and nitrite values determined with a spectrophotometer in the USGS North Carolina District Office or with indicator test strips are considered to be estimates.

Ground-Water Levels

Periodic ground-water levels were measured in seven newly installed wells and two existing piezometers in the study area. The seven wells were installed at shallow depths near or within the natural area to measure water levels and allow the collection of field water-quality data for this study. Six of these wells were installed near the perimeter of the natural area and one (well 3) was installed near the center of the area (fig. 2). All seven of these wells were constructed of polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipe, 1.5 inches in diameter, with a slotted PVC well screen and solid PVC well point attached to the bottom. Each well was installed



Figure 4. The downstream side of the double corrugated metal pipe (CMP) culvert where the U.S. Geological Survey gaging station was located at the Mt. Pisgah campground.



Figure 5. The U.S. Geological Survey gaging station that was built to monitor water levels in the stream flowing from the natural area in the center of the Mt. Pisgah campground.

by hand-augering a borehole 3 inches in diameter into the ground. The deepest of these wells was installed to a depth of about 6.5 ft below land surface, and the most shallow well was installed to a depth of about 2 ft below land surface. The annular space around the screen of each newly constructed well was backfilled with fine sand. The two existing piezometers had been installed in a grassy area in the interior part of the natural area (A and B, fig. 2) as part of an earlier study. These piezometers consisted of $\frac{3}{4}$ -inch PVC pipe installed to depths of about 1 ft below land surface.

Water-level measurements in each well and piezometer were made by using a steel or electric tape from a measuring point marked on the top of the well casing. Field surveys, based on a North Carolina Geodetic Survey benchmark (PI-1 1994), were conducted during the study to determine the measuring point elevation of wells 1–7 and piezometers A and B. Several other existing piezometers were located and mapped in the natural area near piezometers A and B (fig. 3). Water levels were not measured in any of these additional piezometers. Two deep water-supply wells were located in the campground area (NPS wells 1 and 2, fig. 2). Water levels were not measured in either of these bedrock wells during the study.

Ground-Water Quality

Field measurements of water temperature, pH, and specific conductance were made in samples collected from the shallow wells in April and September 2002. To verify water-quality field data collected on April 23, supplemental field measurements were

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made in samples from some wells on April 24, 2002. Likewise, in an effort to better define representative conditions, two separate samples were collected from wells 2–7 on September 24, 2002. Samples were collected and water-quality field measurements were made on September 24 before and after each well was purged, with the first set of measurements made from undisturbed water in the well. The second set of field measurements from September 24 were made after pumping each well dry and subsequently allowing water levels to recover inside the wells.

Water temperature, pH, and specific conductance were measured in the field by using a multiprobe instrument. All field measurements were made after removing a sample of water from each well by using a peristaltic pump. Pump tubing was completely replaced or was rinsed with distilled and native water before and after obtaining samples from each well.

Supplemental water-quality samples were collected from six wells (wells 2–7) in September 2002 and analyzed for fecal coliform bacteria and nitrate. Samples for fecal coliform bacteria were collected from the wells on September 11 and analyzed by the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources laboratory in Asheville. Samples collected from the wells on September 11 and September 24 were analyzed only for nitrate concentrations with a spectrophotometer at the USGS District Office in Raleigh. Indicator test strips also were used in the field on September 24 to screen for nitrate and nitrite in samples collected from the wells. In this report, all nitrate and nitrite values determined with a spectrophotometer in the USGS North Carolina District Office or with indicator test strips are considered to be estimates.

Most wells were installed at very shallow depths, thus, dry climatic conditions during the investigation resulted in limited volumes of water available for sample collection in some of the wells. For example, well 1 (fig. 2) was nearly dry on June 13 and was completely dry on September 11 and September 24. As a result, limited water-level and water-quality data were obtained from well 1. Water samples that were collected from nearly dry wells were often heavily laden with sediment. Hence, some of the water-quality data determined from these samples may not be considered as representative of naturally occurring ground-water conditions.

Results

Surface- and ground-water data collected during this study are summarized below. Stage and streamflow data collected for the stream draining the campground area are summarized. The analytical results of water-quality samples collected from this stream site also are discussed. Water-level and water-quality data collected from shallow wells and piezometers located within the campground area also are summarized in this section.

Stream Stage and Streamflow

Continuously recorded stage in the stream ranged from 1.09 to 1.89 ft above gage datum (4,838.06 to 4,838.86 ft above mean sea level) during the 2002 calendar year. Periodic measurements of streamflow (discharge) ranged in stage from 1.11 to 1.66 ft and in discharge from 0.07 to 4.71 cubic feet per second (ft^3/s). A stage/discharge relation was developed using these streamflow measurements, and corresponding discharge values were calculated for each stage value recorded by the gage. A hydrograph of mean daily discharges for calendar year 2002 is shown in figure 6 as calculated for each day of the period of study (table 1). An additional table containing daily maximum, minimum, and mean discharge values also is presented in the appendix (table A1).

Based on recorded stage data for calendar year 2002, streamflow from the natural area ranged from 0.05 to 9.7 ft^3/s . The annual daily mean flow for the year was approximately 0.35 ft^3/s (about 226,000 gallons per day). The instantaneous peak stage (1.89 ft) and discharge (9.7 ft^3/s) occurred on September 26, 2002, and the instantaneous minimum flow (0.05 ft^3/s) occurred on August 23 and September 7, 9, 10, and 11, 2002. The highest monthly mean flow occurred during December 2002, and the lowest monthly mean flow occurred during August 2002.

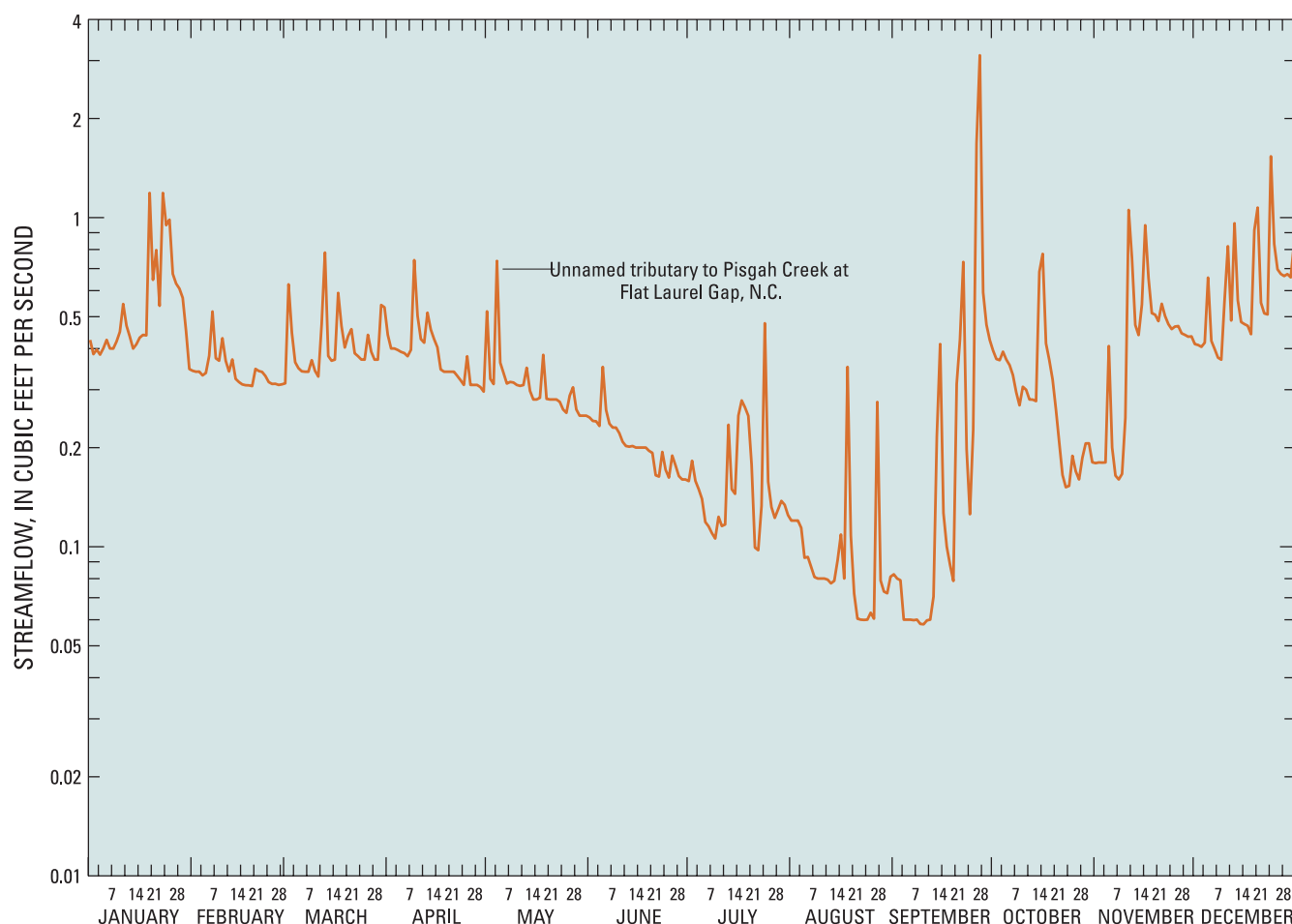


Figure 6. Daily mean streamflow values at unnamed tributary to Pisgah Creek at Flat Laurel Gap at the Mt. Pisgah campground.

Streamwater Quality

Analytical results of water-quality samples collected from the stream in April and September indicate that surface water flowing from the natural area in the center of the campground had low concentrations of the constituents measured, similar to those reported in undisturbed streams in the Blue Ridge Province (Simmons and Heath, 1982). USGS laboratory analytical results of the stream samples are shown in table 2. Measurements of pH made in the stream during sample collection in April and September ranged from 5.5 to 6.3, and specific conductance values ranged from 6 to 14 microsiemens per centimeter at 25 °C ($\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$; table 3). Four compounds associated with human activity (camphor, N,N-diethyl-meta-toluamide (DEET), tributylphosphate, and methylsalicylate) were detected in the stream samples; however, concentrations were less than detection levels and analytical results for these compounds are reported as estimates (table 2). Camphor was detected in the sample collected in April following a period when the campground had been closed for about 6 months. The presence of camphor in the April sample suggests that inadvertent contamination occurred during sample collection or analysis. The remaining three compounds were detected in the sample collected in September after the campground had been in use for about 4½ months. Further sampling is necessary to determine whether these compounds are consistently detected in the stream. Samples collected from the stream in April and September and analyzed for fecal coliform bacteria had densities of 76 and 110 colonies per 100 milliliters (col/100 mL) of water, respectively. Nitrate and nitrite concentrations were not detected by spectrophotometer analysis performed in the USGS North Carolina District Office or by indicator test strips in samples collected from the stream in September (table 3). No violations of water-quality standards for any constituent measured were noted in the stream samples.

Table 1. Daily mean discharge recorded during calendar year 2002 at Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.

[e, estimated; MAX, maximum; MIN, minimum; CFSM, cubic feet per second per square mile; IN., inches]

Day	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUNE	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC
1	0.42	0.34	0.31	0.44	0.52	0.25	0.16	0.12	0.08	0.39	0.18	0.41
2	0.38	0.34	0.63	0.40	0.32	0.24	0.18	0.12	0.08	0.37	0.18	0.41
3	0.40	0.34	0.45	0.40	0.31	0.24	0.16	0.12	0.08	0.37	0.18	0.40
4	0.38	0.33	0.36	0.40	0.74	0.23	0.15	0.11	0.06	0.39	0.18	0.42
5	0.40	0.34	0.35	0.39	0.36	0.35	0.14	0.09	0.06	0.37	0.41	0.66
6	0.42	0.38	0.34	0.39	0.34	0.26	0.12	0.09	0.06	0.36	0.20	0.42
7	0.40	0.52	0.34	0.38	0.31	0.24	0.12	0.09	0.06	0.33	0.16	0.40
8	0.40	0.37	0.34	0.40	0.32	0.23	0.11	0.08	0.06	0.29	0.16	0.38
9	0.42	0.37	0.37	0.74	0.32	0.23	0.11	0.08	0.06	0.27	0.17	0.37
10	0.45	0.43	0.34	0.50	0.31	0.22	0.12	0.08	0.06	0.31	0.25	0.56
11	0.55	0.37	0.33	0.43	0.31	0.21	0.12	0.08	0.06	0.30	1.1	0.82
12	0.47	0.34	0.47	0.42	0.31	0.20	0.12	0.08	0.06	0.28	0.75	0.49
13	0.43	0.37	0.78	0.51	0.35	0.20	0.23	0.08	0.07	0.28	0.47	0.96
14	0.40	0.32	0.38	0.46	0.30	0.20	0.15	0.08	0.22	0.28	0.44	0.56
15	0.41	0.32	0.37	0.43	0.28	0.20	0.14	0.09	0.41	0.68	0.54	0.48
16	0.43	0.31	0.37	0.40	0.28	0.20	0.25	0.11	0.13	0.78	0.95	0.47
17	0.44	0.31	0.59	0.35	0.28	0.20	0.28	0.08	0.10	0.41	0.65	0.47
18	0.44	0.31	0.47	0.34	0.38	0.20	0.26	0.35	0.09	0.37	0.51	0.44
19	1.2	0.31	0.40	0.34	0.28	0.20	0.25	0.11	0.08	0.32	0.51	0.92
20	0.65	0.35	0.44	0.34	0.28	0.19	0.18	0.07	0.31	0.26	0.48	1.1
21	0.80	0.34	0.46	0.34	0.28	0.16	0.10	0.06	0.43	0.21	0.55	0.55
22	0.54	0.34	0.39	0.33	0.28	0.16	0.10	0.06	0.73	0.17	0.50	0.51
23	1.2	0.33	0.38	0.32	0.28	0.19	0.13	0.06	0.20	0.15	0.47	0.51
24	0.95	0.32	0.37	0.31	0.26	0.17	0.48	0.06	0.13	0.15	0.46	1.5
25	0.99	0.31	0.37	0.38	0.26	0.16	0.16	0.06	0.23	0.19	0.47	0.83
26	0.67	0.31	0.44	0.31	0.29	0.19	0.13	0.06	1.7	0.17	0.47	0.70
27	0.63	0.31	0.39	0.31	0.30	0.18	0.12	0.28	3.1	0.16	0.44	0.67
28	0.61	0.31	0.37	0.31	0.26	0.16	0.13	0.08	0.59	0.19	0.44	0.66
29	0.57	---	0.37	0.31	0.25	0.16	0.14	0.07	0.47	0.21	0.43	0.67
30	0.45	---	0.54	0.30	0.25	0.16	0.13	0.07	0.42	0.21	0.44	0.66
31	0.35	---	0.53	---	0.25	---	0.12	0.08	---	0.18	---	0.84
TOTAL	17.25	9.64	13.04	11.68	9.86	6.18	5.09	3.05	10.19	9.40	13.14	19.24
MEAN	0.56	0.34	0.42	0.39	0.32	0.21	0.16	0.098	0.34	0.30	0.44	0.62
MAX	1.2	0.52	0.78	0.74	0.74	0.35	0.48	0.35	3.1	0.78	1.1	1.5
MIN	0.35	0.31	0.31	0.30	0.25	0.16	0.10	0.06	0.06	0.15	0.16	0.37
CFSM	7.95	4.92	6.01	5.56	4.54	2.94	2.35	1.41	4.85	4.33	6.26	8.87
IN.	9.17	5.12	6.93	6.21	5.24	3.28	2.70	1.62	5.42	5.00	6.98	10.22
CALENDAR YEAR 2002: TOTAL 127.76 MEAN 0.35 MAX 3.1 MIN 0.06 CFSM 5.00 IN. 67.90												

Table 2. Water-quality data from an unnamed tributary to Pisgah Creek at Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina, April 23 and September 11, 2002.

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PERIOD OF RECORD.--April and September 2002.

REMARKS.--Station operated in cooperation with the National Park Service to define baseline water quality of a small wetland in the Blue Ridge Parkway.

Date	Time	Instantaneous discharge, in ft ³ /s (00061)	Dissolved oxygen, in mg/L (00300)	Dissolved oxygen, percent of saturation (00301)	pH, water, unfiltered, field, standard units (00400)	Specific conductance, water unfiltered, in µS/cm (00095)	Temperature, water (° C) (00010)	Calcium, water, filtered, in mg/L (00915)	Magnesium, water, filtered, in mg/L (00925)	Potassium, water, filtered, in mg/L (00935)	Sodium, water, filtered, in mg/L (00930)	ANC, water, unfiltered, fixed end-point titration, field, in mg/L as CaCO ₃ (00410)	Chloride, water, filtered, in mg/L (00940)
4/23/02	1155	0.33	9.0	77	6.1	6	8.2	0.65	0.317	0.37	0.64	3	0.60
9/11/02	1130	.07	8.2	75	6.3	7	13.2	.66	.345	.39	.77	3	.60
Date	Time	Fluoride, water, filtered, in mg/L (00950)	Silica, water, filtered, in mg/L (00955)	Sulfate, water, filtered, in mg/L (00945)	Ammonia plus organic nitrogen, water, filtered, in mg/L as N (00623)	Ammonia, water, filtered, in mg/L as N (00608)	Nitrite plus nitrate, water, filtered, in mg/L as N (00631)	Nitrite, water, filtered, in mg/L as N (00613)	Orthophosphate, water, filtered, in mg/L as P (00671)	Phosphorus, water, unfiltered, in mg/L (00665)	Fecal coliform, M-FC MF (0.45 micron) method, water, col/100 mL (31616)	Aluminum, water, filtered, in µg/L (01106)	Arsenic, water, filtered, in µg/L (01000)
4/23/02	1155	<0.10	4.37	0.5	<0.10	<0.04	0.12	<0.008	<0.02	<0.06	76	30	<2
9/11/02	1130	<.10	5.15	.3	E.06	<.04	.07	<.008	<.02	<.06	110	20	<2
Date	Time	Barium, water, filtered, in µg/L (01005)	Boron, water, filtered, in µg/L (01020)	Cadmium, water, filtered, in µg/L (01025)	Chromium, water, filtered, in µg/L (01030)	Cobalt, water, filtered, in µg/L (01035)	Copper, water, filtered, in µg/L (01040)	Iron, water, filtered, in µg/L (01046)	Lead, water, filtered, in µg/L (01049)	Manganese, water, filtered, in µg/L (01056)	Mercury, water, filtered, in µg/L (71890)	Molybdenum, water, filtered, in µg/L (01060)	Nickel, water, filtered, in µg/L (01065)
4/23/02	1155	5.0	<10	<8	<10	<13	<6	30	<0.08	5.4	<0.01	<50	<30
9/11/02	1130	5.9	<10	<8	<10	<13	<6	80	E.05	6.5	<.01	<50	<30
Date	Time	Selenium, water, filtered, in µg/L (01145)	Silver, water, filtered, in µg/L (01075)	Strontium, water, filtered, in µg/L (01080)	Vanadium, water, filtered, in µg/L (01085)	Zinc, water, filtered, in µg/L (01090)	1,4-Dichlorobenzene, water, filtered, in µg/L (34572)	1-Methylnaphthalene, water, filtered, in µg/L (62054)	2,6-Dimethylnaphthalene, water, filtered, in µg/L (62055)	2-Methylnaphthalene, water, filtered, in µg/L (62056)	3-beta-Coprostanol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62057)	3-Methyl-1H-indole, water, filtered, in µg/L (62058)	3-tert-Butyl-4-hydroxyanisole, water, filtered, in µg/L (62059)
4/23/02	1155	<2	<9	5.4	<8	<24	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<2	<1	<5
9/11/02	1130	<2	<9	5.9	<8	<24	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<2	<1	<5

Table 2. Water-quality data from a small unnamed stream at Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina, April 23 and September 11, 2002.—Continued

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Date	Time	4-Cumyl-phenol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62060)	4-Octyl-phenol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62061)	4-Nonyl-phenol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62085)	4-tert-Octyl-phenol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62062)	5-Methyl-1H-benzo-triazole, water, filtered, in µg/L (62063)	9,10-Anthra-quinone, water, filtered, in µg/L (62066)	Aceto-phenone, water, filtered, in µg/L (62064)	AHTN, water, filtered, in µg/L (62065)	Anthracene, water, filtered, in µg/L (34221)	Benzo[a]-pyrene, water, filtered, in µg/L (34248)	Benzophenone, water, filtered, in µg/L (62067)	beta-Sitos-terol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62068)
4/23/02	1155	<1	<1	<5	<1	<2	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<2
9/11/02	1130	<1	<1	<5	<1	<2	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<2
Date	Time	beta-Stigma-stanol, water, filtered, in µg/L (620286)	Bisphenol A, water, filtered, in µg/L (62069)	Bromacil, water, filtered, in µg/L (04029)	Caffeine, water, filtered, in µg/L (50305)	Camphor, water, filtered, in µg/L (62070)	Carbaryl, water, filtered, 0.7 micron glass fiber filter, in µg/L (82680)	Carbazole, water, filtered, in µg/L (62071)	Chlorpyrifos, water, filtered, in µg/L (38933)	Cholesterol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62072)	Cotinine, water, filtered, in µg/L (62005)	DEET, water, filtered, in µg/L (62082)	Diazinon, water, filtered, in µg/L (39572)
4/23/02	1155	<2	<1	<0.5	<0.5	M	<1	<0.5	<0.5	<2	<1	<0.5	<0.5
9/11/02	1130	<2	<1	<.5	<.5	<.5	<1	<.5	<.5	<2	<1	E.1	<.5
Date	Time	Diethoxy-nonylpheno l, water, filtered, in µg/L (62083)	Diethoxy-octylpheno l, water, filtered, in µg/L (61705)	D-Limonene, water, filtered, in µg/L (62073)	Ethoxy-octylphenol, water, filtered, in µg/L (61706)	Fluoran-thene, water, filtered, in µg/L (34377)	HHCB, water, filtered, in µg/L (62075)	Indole, water, filtered, in µg/L (62076)	Isoborneol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62077)	Isophorone, water, filtered, in µg/L (34409)	Isopropyl-benzene, water, filtered, in µg/L (62078)	Isoquinoline, water, filtered, in µg/L (62079)	Menthol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62080)
4/23/02	1155	<5	<1	<0.5	<1	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
9/11/02	1130	<5	<1	<.5	<1	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5
Date	Time	Metalaxyl, water, filtered, in µg/L (50359)	Methyl salicylate, water, filtered, in µg/L (62081)	Metolachlo r, water, filtered, in µg/L (39415)	Napthalene, water, filtered, in µg/L (34443)	p-Cresol, water, filtered, in µg/L (62084)	Penta-chlorophenol, water, filtered, in µg/L (34459)	Phenan-threne, water, filtered, in µg/L (34462)	Phenol, water, filtered, in µg/L (34466)	Prometon, water, filtered, in µg/L (04037)	Pyrene, water, filtered, in µg/L (34470)	Tetrachloro-ethene, water, filtered, in µg/L (34476)	Tribromo-methane, water, filtered, in µg/L (34288)
4/23/02	1155	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<1	<2	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5
9/11/02	1130	<.5	E.1	<.5	<.5	<1	<2	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5
Date	Time	Tributyl-phosphate, water, filtered, in µg/L (62089)	Triclosan, water, filtered, in µg/L (62090)	Triethyl-citrate, water, filtered, in µg/L (62091)	Triphenyl-phosphate, water, filtered, in µg/L (62092)	Tris(2-butoxyethyl)p hosphate, water, filtered, in µg/L (62093)	Tris(2-chloroethyl)-phosphate, water, filtered, in µg/L (62087)	Tris-(dichloro-i-Pr) phosphate, water, filtered, in µg/L (62088)	Dichlorvos, water, filtered, in µg/L (38775)				
4/23/02	1155	<0.5	<1	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	<1.00				
9/11/02	1130	E.3	<1	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<.5	<1.00				

Table 3. Selected water-quality data from samples collected in shallow wells and an unnamed tributary to Pisgah Creek at Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina, 2002.

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Sampling site	Site identification number	Date	Time	Water level, in feet BLS	Water temperature, in °C (field)	PH (field)	Specific conductance, in µS/cm (field)	Fecal coliform, in cols/ 100 mL (NC lab)	Nitrite ¹ plus nitrate, in mg/L (NWQL)	Nitrate, in mg/L (spec)	Nitrate, in mg/L (ITS)	Nitrite, in mg/L (ITS)	Remarks
Stream	0345638607	4-23-02	1200	---	8.2	6.1	6	76	0.12	---	---	---	DO = 8.97
		4-24-02	1355	---	9.0	6.1	6	---	---	---	---	---	DO = 8.43
		9-11-02	1130	---	13.2	6.3	7	110	0.07	ND	---	---	DO = 8.2
		9-24-02	1500	---	13.1	5.5	14	---	---	ND	ND	ND	None.
Well 1	352419082451901	4-23-02	1605	0.62	10.5	5.4	20	---	---	---	---	---	None.
		9-11-02	Insufficient water in well.										
		9-24-02	Insufficient water in well.										
Well 2	352421082452301	4-23-02	1545	3.03	10.0	4.4	51	---	---	---	---	---	None.
		4-24-02	1423	3.09	10.0	4.7	47	---	---	---	---	---	Sediment-laden sample; to verify previous data.
		4-24-02	1433	3.09	9.4	4.4	37	---	---	---	---	---	Much less sediment in sample.
		9-11-02	Insufficient water in well.					480	---	0.718(e)	---	---	Partial sample collected.
		9-24-02	1400	3.01	14.0	4.0	63	---	---	---	1(e)	ND	Before purging; light yellow tint, murky sample.
		9-24-02	1740	3.94	14.8	5.5	48	---	---	ND	0.5(e)	ND	After purging; light yellow, murky sample.

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Well 3	352422082452001	4-23-02	1644	0.21	12.4	6.0	19	---	---	---	---	---	None.
		9-11-02	1510	---	14.6	6.2	68	8	---	ND	---	---	Murky sample.
		9-24-02	1315	0.31	15.1	6.2	52	---	---	---	ND	ND	Before purging; clear sample.
		9-24-02	1655	0.35	15.7	6.3	56	---	---	ND	ND	ND	After purging; clear sample.
Well 4	352423082452001	4-23-02	1632	1.67	10.0	5.8	12	---	---	---	---	---	None.
		9-11-02	1500	---	13.7	5.7	10	8	---	ND	---	---	Sample fairly clear.
		9-24-02	1252	1.70	13.9	5.7	15	---	---	---	ND	ND	Before purging; clear sample.
		9-24-02	1637	1.76	14.2	5.7	15	---	---	ND	ND	ND	After purging; clear sample.
Well 5	352423082452501	4-23-02	1529	0.14	11.5	5.7	28	---	---	---	---	---	None.
		4-24-02	1407	0.10	10.4	5.6	30	---	---	---	---	---	Readings to verify accuracy of previous day's data.
		9-11-02	1545	---	14.7	5.6	36	16	---	ND	---	---	Relatively clear sample.
		9-24-02	1129	0.19	15.4	5.6	33	---	---	---	ND	ND	Before purging; sample a little murky.
		9-24-02	1545	0.22	15.8	5.5	34	---	---	ND	ND	ND	After purging; slightly yellow and murky; H2S odor.

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Well 6	352426082452001	4-23-02	1714	0.11	10.4	5.7	12	---	---	---	---	---	None.
		9-11-02	1445	---	15.7	6.0	42	4	---	0.876(e)	---	---	Sample high in sediment, heavily laden.
		9-24-02	1220	0.29	14.9	5.7	19	---	---	---	ND	ND	Before purging; clear sample.
		9-24-02	1610	0.27	15.6	5.7	21	---	---	ND	---	---	After purging; clear sample.
Well 7	352428082452601	4-23-02	1457	5.18	9.7	4.7	13	---	---	---	---	---	None.
		9-11-02	1415	---	17.4	5.0	14	<10	---	1.024(e)	---	---	None.
		9-24-02	1052	4.26	14.3	4.6	18	---	---	---	ND	ND	Before purging; clear sample.
		9-24-02	1520	4.40	15.2	4.7	19	---	---	ND	ND	ND	After purging; clear sample.

¹See table 2.

Ground-Water Levels

Ground-water levels were measured periodically in the seven shallow wells and two shallow piezometers located in the study area (fig. 2). Drought conditions occurred in many parts of the Blue Ridge Province for much of the study period. As a result, ground-water levels during periods of higher rainfall may differ from those defined in this report. Ground-water levels for 2002 generally were highest in the spring and lowest in the fall. Graphs of periodic ground-water-level measurements made in wells 1–7 and piezometers A and B are shown in figures 7–11. All water-level measurements made during the study are presented in the appendix (table A2).

Ground-Water Quality

Field measurements of water temperature, pH, and specific conductance were made in samples collected from wells 1–7 in April and September 2002. Supplemental samples for fecal coliform densities were collected once on September 11, 2002, and samples for nitrate analysis only were collected twice from wells 2–7 on September 11 and 24, 2002 (table 3).

Values of pH measured in ground-water samples collected in April and September ranged from 4.0 to 6.3. Measured pH values were consistently lower in samples from wells 2 and 7 than in samples from the other wells. Additionally, measured pH values were consistently highest in samples from well 3 (table 3).

Specific-conductance values measured in samples collected from wells on the east side of the natural area were lower than those measured in samples from the other wells and generally were higher than conductance values measured in the stream (table 3). Mean specific-conductance values measured in samples from wells 4 and 6 were 13 and 24 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$, respectively. However, specific-conductance values measured in samples from two wells on the west side of the natural area were two to three times higher, averaging 49 and 32 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$ in wells 2 and 5, respectively. Specific-conductance values measured in samples collected from well 3, located near the center of the natural area, averaged 49 $\mu\text{S}/\text{cm}$, also two to three times higher than those measured in samples from wells on the east side of the natural area (table 3).

As a result of differences observed in the specific conductance of ground-water samples collected in April, supplemental samples analyzed for fecal coliform bacteria and nitrate were collected from wells 2–7 on September 11, 2002. In addition, samples were collected from the same six wells and analyzed for nitrate concentrations only on September 24, 2002. Indicator test strips also were used in the field on September 24, 2002 to screen for nitrate and nitrite in ground-water samples collected from wells 2–7.

From samples collected on September 11, fecal coliform densities in wells 3, 4, 6, and 7 generally were less than or equal to 8 col/100 mL. The sample collected on the same date from well 5 had a coliform density twice as high (16 col/100 mL). More significantly, the sample collected from well 2 on September 11 had 480 col/100 mL, 60 times as high as the coliform count for wells 3, 4, 6, and 7 (table 3).

Samples for nitrate concentrations were collected from wells 2–7 on September 11 and analyzed with a spectrophotometer at the USGS North Carolina District Office. Analytical results for these samples indicated that nitrate was present in wells 2, 6, and 7 at estimated concentrations of 1 milligram per liter (mg/L) or less (table 3). Nitrate was not detected in samples collected from any of the other wells on September 11.

Additional samples were collected from wells 2–7 on September 24 that were analyzed with a spectrophotometer at the USGS North Carolina District Office for nitrate concentrations only. Nitrate was not detected with the spectrophotometer in any of these samples. Indicator test strips also were used in the field on September 24 to screen for nitrate and nitrite in samples from wells 2–7. The test strips detected the presence of nitrate in the sample from only one well (well 2) at an estimated concentration of 1 mg/L or less. The presence of nitrate was not indicated by test strips in any other wells. Nitrite was not indicated by the test strips in any of the samples collected from wells 2–7 on September 24.

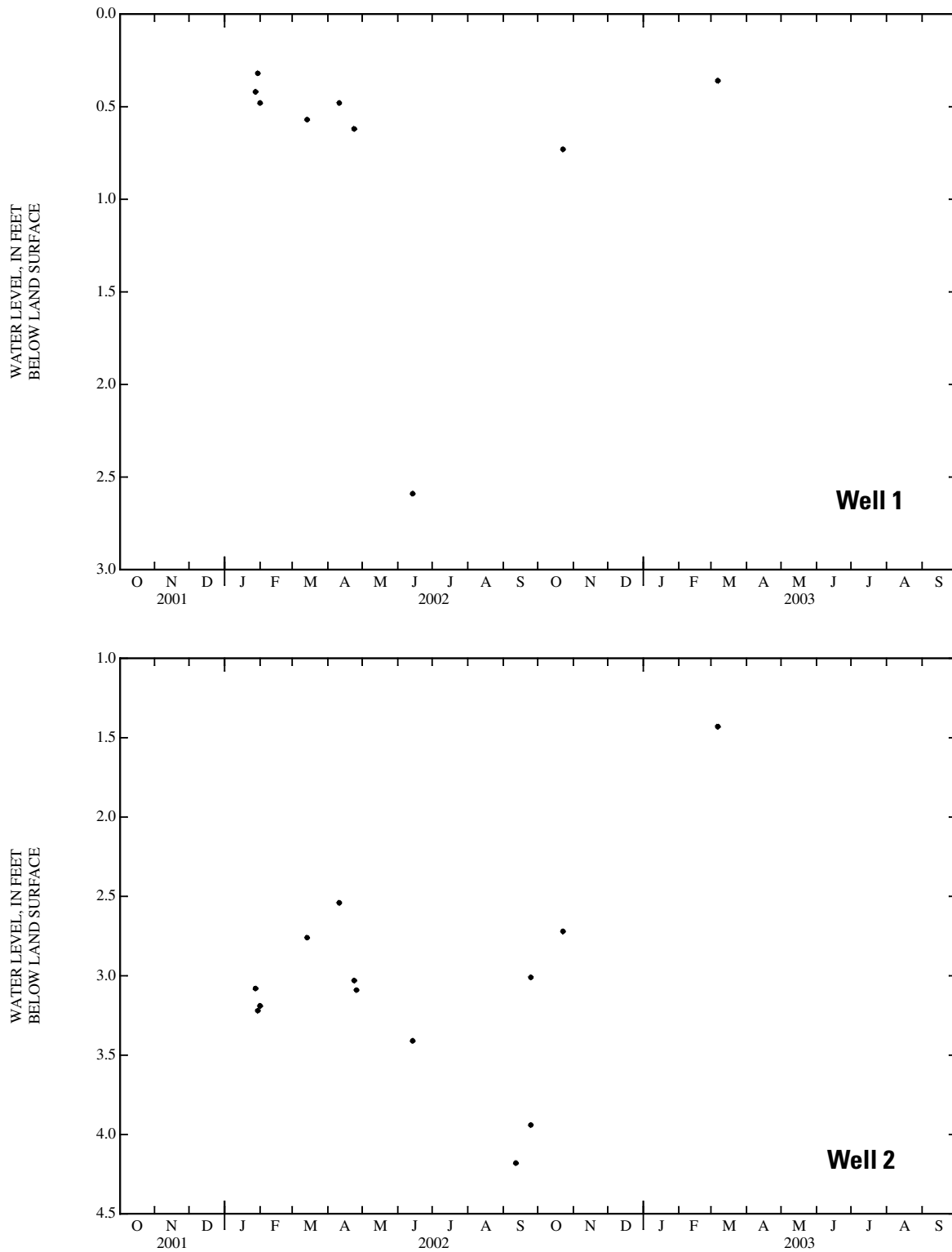


Figure 7. Periodic water levels measured in shallow wells 1 and 2 at the Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.

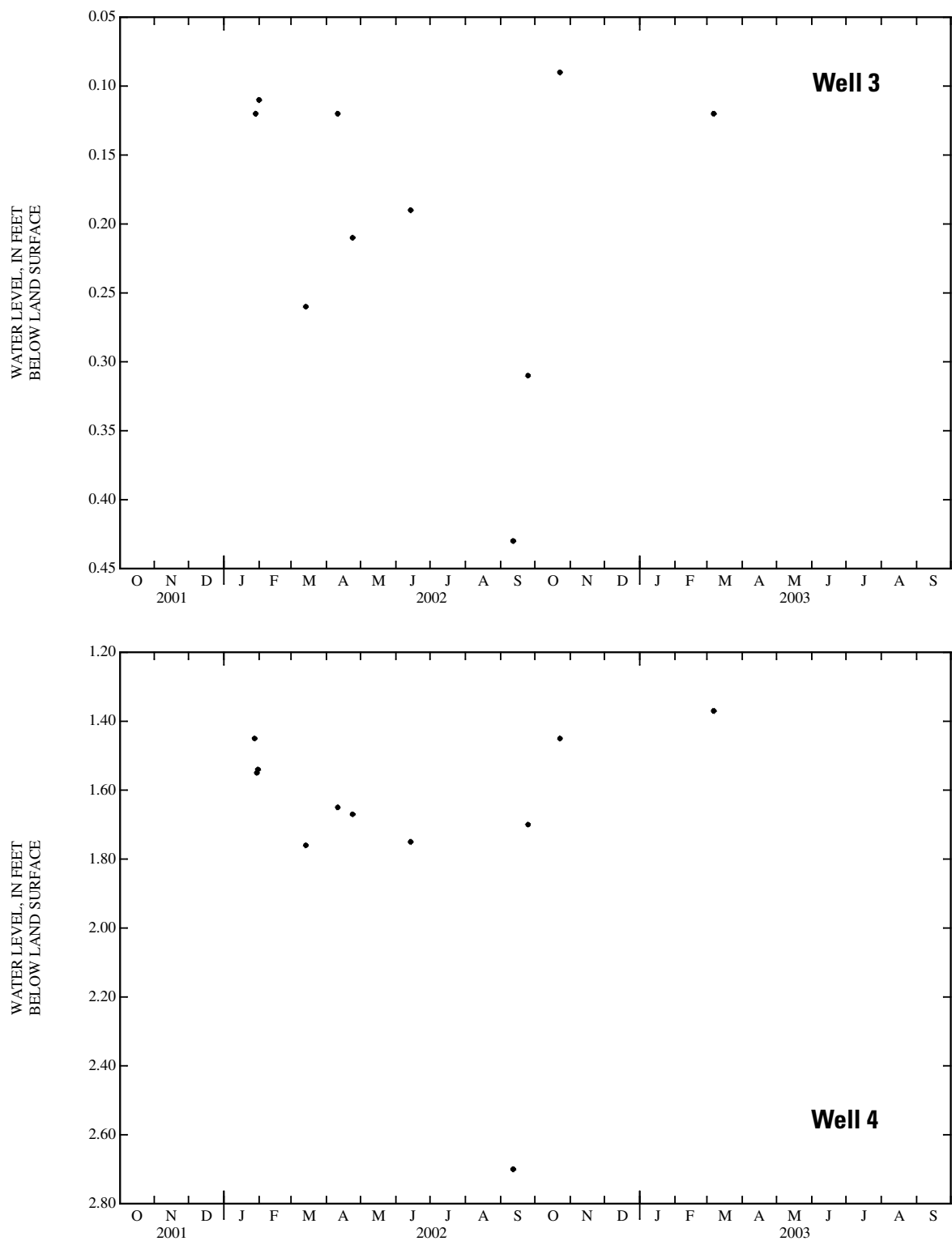


Figure 8. Periodic water levels measured in shallow wells 3 and 4 at the Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.

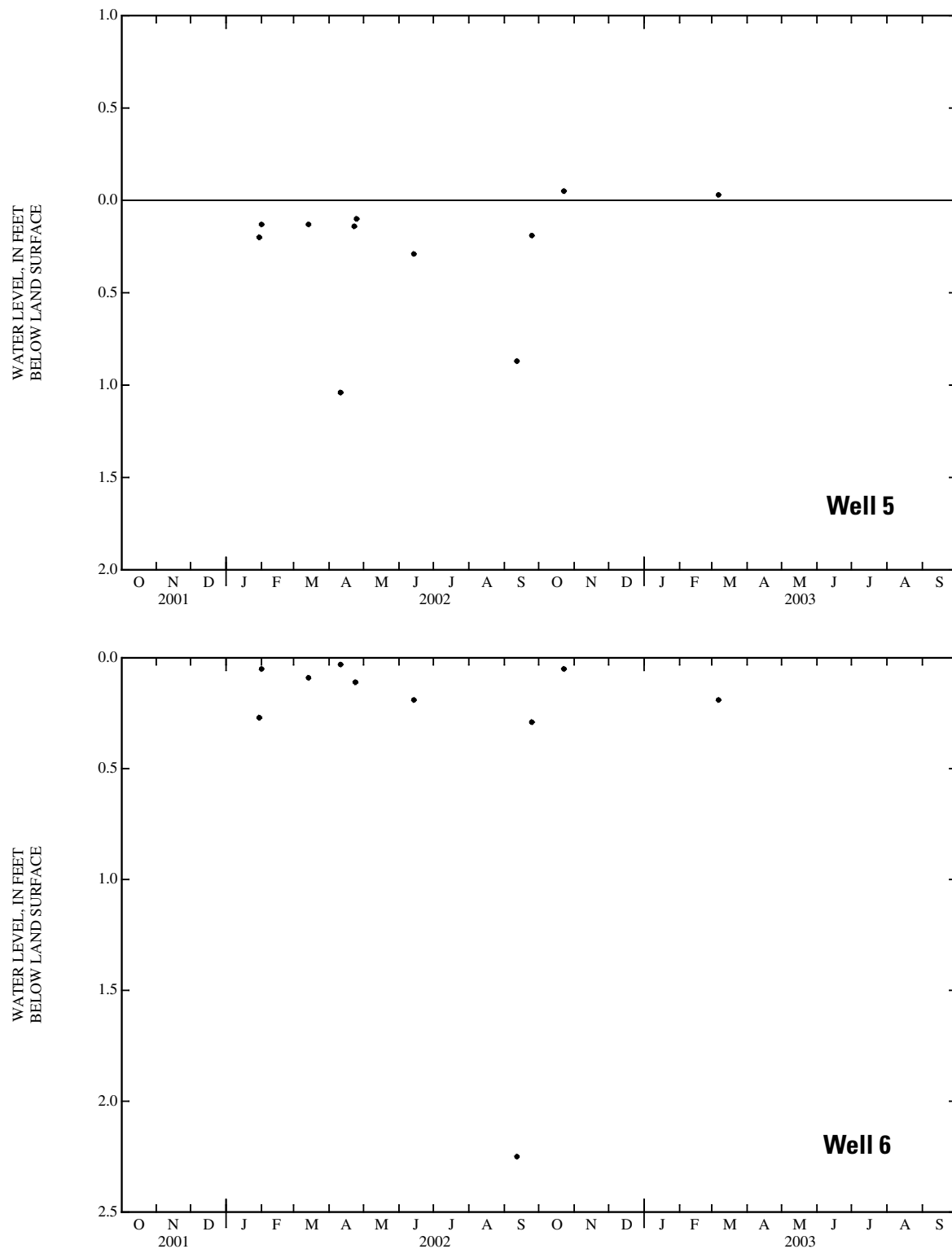


Figure 9. Periodic water levels measured in shallow wells 5 and 6 at the Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.

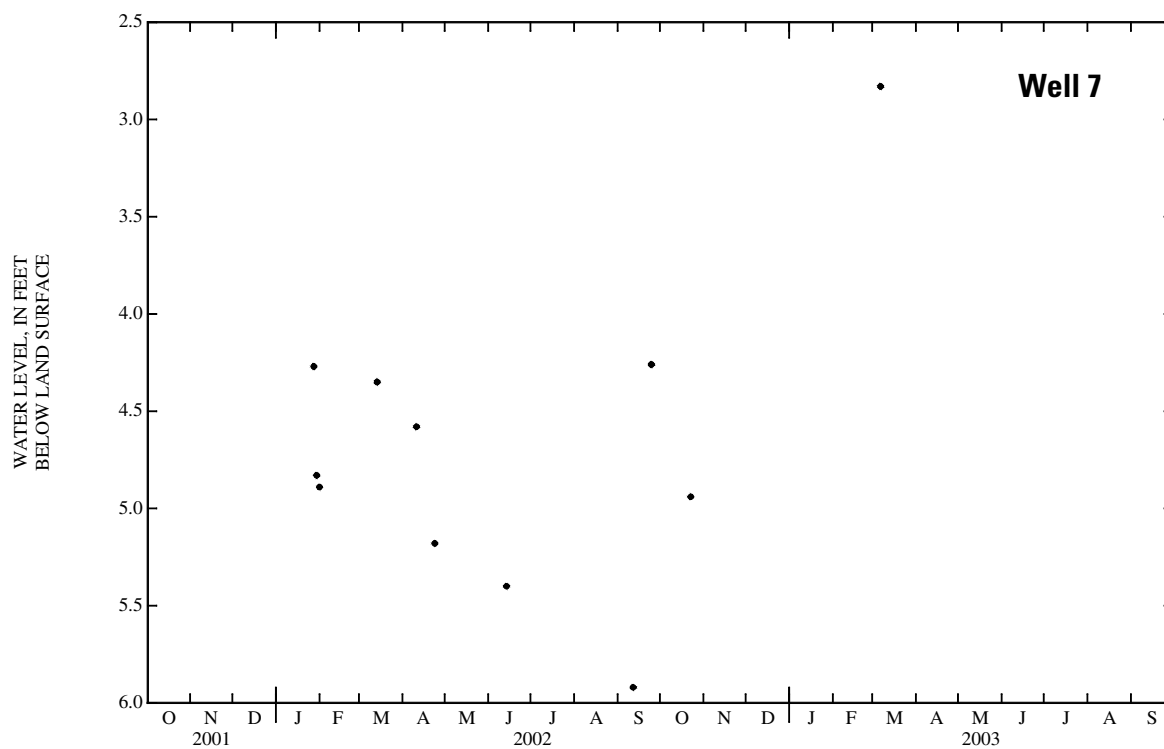


Figure 10. Periodic water levels measured in shallow well 7 at the Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.

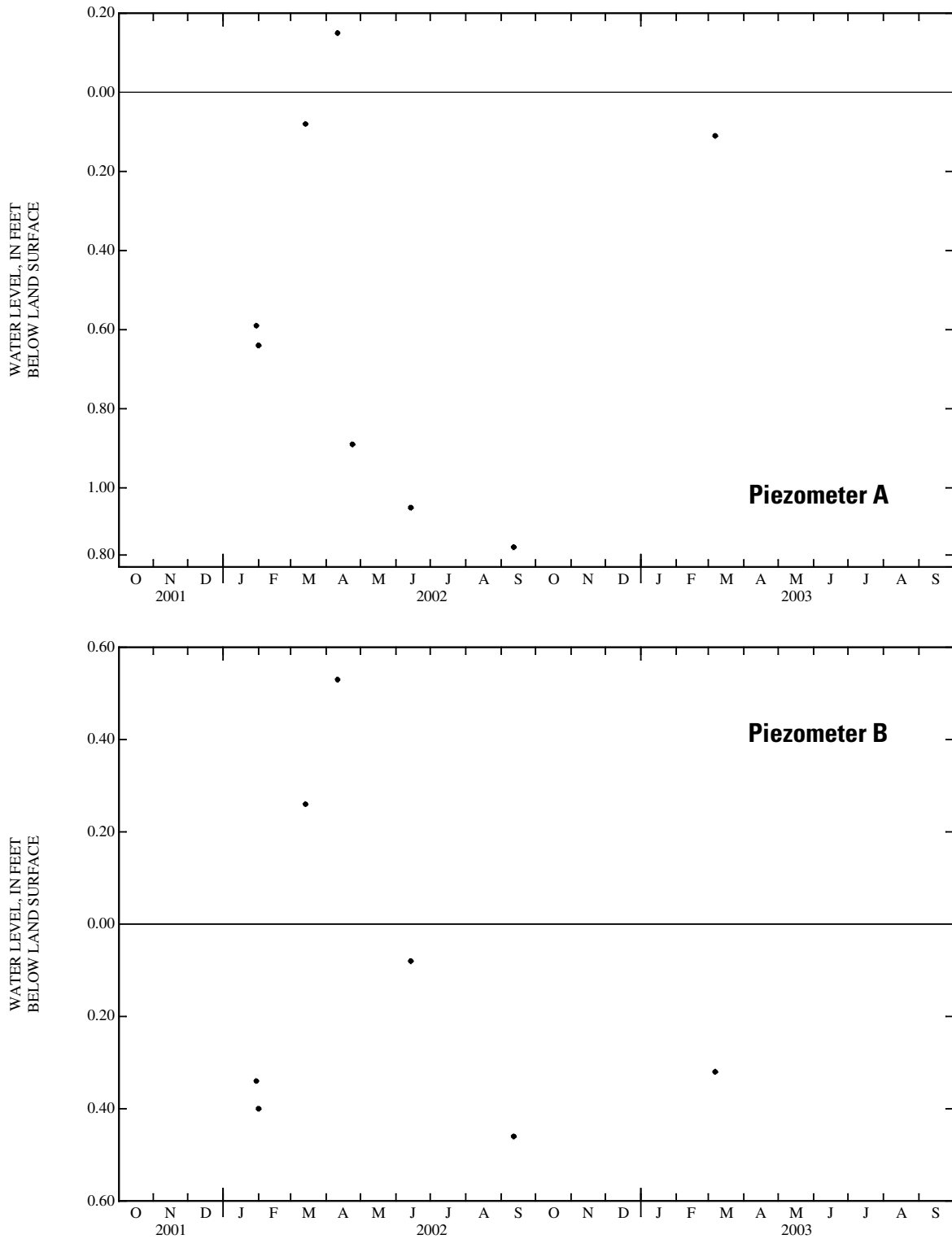


Figure 11. Periodic water levels measured in piezometers A and B at the Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.

Suggestions for Further Study

Further mapping of the heavily vegetated natural area in the center of the campground is needed to accurately define the extent of wetland and non-wetland areas. Many plant species growing in the center of the campground are evergreen, and growth is so dense that access to many parts of the natural area is, at best, extremely difficult. However, a complete and accurate delineation of all wetland boundaries would provide a valuable tool for monitoring and managing sensitive areas.

Although traces of some manmade compounds were detected in the stream draining the natural area, and some patterns were identified in specific conductance, fecal coliform, and nitrate concentrations detected in well samples, further study is needed to more accurately characterize stream- and ground-water-quality conditions at the Mt. Pisgah campground. Such an increased level of data collection and interpretation was beyond the scope of this study.

To better characterize water-quality conditions, additional water samples will need to be collected from the stream and the wells to identify consistent conditions and document seasonal trends. To facilitate comparisons, stream- and ground-water samples would need to be collected at least quarterly and analyzed for the same constituents, including major ions, nutrients, and waste-water compounds. Because well 1 went dry during the study, a new deeper well (installed to a depth of about 10 ft below land surface) installed near well 1 would be necessary to enable ground-water-level measurements and sample collection during dry seasons. Additional ground-water samples collected from the area near well 1, the most upgradient well in the study area, may help to provide a more comprehensive set of ground-water-quality data. Future studies may also benefit from the installation of an additional well in the center of the natural area between wells 5 and 6. This additional well would provide a means to compare conditions at different locations within the center of the natural area. With the addition of a second well installed in the interior part of the natural area, improved comparisons would be possible with wells that are located along the perimeter of the natural area.

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Appendixes

Appendix Table A1. Maximum, minimum, and mean daily streamflow values for calendar year 2002 at Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.

[Values are in cubic feet per second; ---, no data; e, estimated]

Day	January			February			March			April		
	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean
1	0.47	0.40	0.42	0.37	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.31	0.31	---	---	e0.44
2	0.44	0.37	0.38	0.34	0.34	0.34	1.9	0.31	0.63	0.44	0.40	0.40
3	0.40	0.37	0.40	0.37	0.34	0.34	0.51	0.37	0.45	0.40	0.40	0.40
4	0.40	0.37	0.38	0.34	0.31	0.33	0.37	0.34	0.36	0.40	0.37	0.40
5	0.44	0.37	0.40	0.34	0.31	0.34	0.37	0.34	0.35	0.40	0.37	0.39
6	0.51	0.40	0.42	0.55	0.34	0.38	0.37	0.34	0.34	0.40	0.37	0.39
7	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.63	0.40	0.52	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.40	0.37	0.38
8	0.40	0.37	0.40	0.40	0.37	0.37	0.34	0.34	0.34	0.40	0.37	0.40
9	0.44	0.40	0.42	0.37	0.34	0.37	0.59	0.34	0.37	1.7	0.40	0.74
10	0.51	0.40	0.45	0.47	0.37	0.43	0.37	0.31	0.34	0.82	0.44	0.50
11	0.63	0.47	0.55	0.40	0.34	0.37	0.34	0.31	0.33	0.44	0.40	0.43
12	0.47	0.44	0.47	0.37	0.34	0.34	0.72	0.31	0.47	0.44	0.40	0.42
13	0.47	0.40	0.43	1.3	0.31	0.37	2.1	0.40	0.78	0.67	0.40	0.51
14	0.40	0.37	0.40	0.34	0.31	0.32	0.44	0.37	0.38	0.63	0.44	0.46
15	0.44	0.40	0.41	0.34	0.31	0.32	0.37	0.34	0.37	0.44	0.40	0.43
16	0.44	0.40	0.43	0.34	0.31	0.31	---	---	e0.37	0.44	0.34	0.40
17	0.44	0.44	0.44	0.31	0.28	0.31	2.0	0.37	0.59	0.44	0.34	0.35
18	0.44	0.40	0.44	0.31	0.28	0.31	0.72	0.44	0.47	0.34	0.34	0.34
19	2.2	0.40	1.2	0.31	0.28	0.31	0.44	0.40	0.40	0.34	0.34	0.34
20	0.98	0.55	0.65	0.55	0.28	0.35	0.47	0.40	0.44	0.34	0.34	0.34
21	1.7	0.55	0.80	0.37	0.34	0.34	0.59	0.40	0.46	0.34	0.34	0.34
22	0.59	0.51	0.54	0.34	0.31	0.34	0.44	0.37	0.39	0.34	0.31	0.33
23	2.3	0.51	1.2	0.34	0.31	0.33	0.40	0.37	0.38	0.34	0.31	0.32
24	2.0	0.72	0.95	0.34	0.31	0.32	0.40	0.37	0.37	0.31	0.31	0.31
25	2.0	0.72	0.99	0.34	0.31	0.31	0.37	0.37	0.37	1.5	0.31	0.38
26	0.72	0.63	0.67	0.34	0.31	0.31	---	---	e0.44	0.31	0.31	0.31
27	0.63	0.63	0.63	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.44	0.37	0.39	0.31	0.31	0.31
28	0.63	0.59	0.61	0.34	0.31	0.31	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.31	0.31	0.31
29	0.63	0.51	0.57	---	---	---	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.31	0.28	0.31
30	0.51	0.37	0.45	---	---	---	1.2	0.37	0.54	0.31	0.28	0.30
31	0.40	0.31	0.35	---	---	---	1.1	0.44	0.53	---	---	---
Month	2.3	0.31	0.56	1.3	0.28	0.34	---	---	0.42	---	---	0.39

Appendix Table A1. Maximum, minimum, and mean daily streamflow values for calendar year 2002 at Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.—Continued

[Values are in cubic feet per second; ---, no data; e, estimated]

Day	May			June			July			August		
	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean
1	1.5	0.28	0.52	0.25	0.23	0.25	0.16	0.14	0.16	0.12	0.12	0.12
2	0.34	0.31	0.32	0.25	0.23	0.24	1.2	0.14	0.18	0.12	0.12	0.12
3	0.34	0.31	0.31	0.25	0.23	0.24	0.37	0.14	0.16	0.12	0.12	0.12
4	2.5	0.31	0.74	0.25	0.23	0.23	0.18	0.14	0.15	0.12	0.10	0.11
5	0.40	0.34	0.36	1.2	0.23	0.35	0.16	0.12	0.14	0.10	0.08	0.09
6	0.34	0.31	0.34	0.44	0.23	0.26	0.14	0.10	0.12	0.10	0.08	0.09
7	0.34	0.31	0.31	0.25	0.23	0.24	0.16	0.10	0.12	0.10	0.08	0.09
8	0.34	0.31	0.32	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.14	0.10	0.11	0.10	0.08	0.08
9	0.47	0.28	0.32	0.23	0.23	0.23	0.14	0.10	0.11	0.08	0.08	0.08
10	0.31	0.31	0.31	0.23	0.20	0.22	0.23	0.10	0.12	0.08	0.08	0.08
11	0.31	0.28	0.31	0.23	0.20	0.21	0.14	0.10	0.12	0.08	0.08	0.08
12	0.31	0.28	0.31	0.23	0.20	0.20	0.16	0.10	0.12	0.08	0.06	0.08
13	1.6	0.28	0.35	0.23	0.20	0.20	1.5	0.12	0.23	0.08	0.06	0.08
14	0.34	0.28	0.30	0.23	0.20	0.20	0.18	0.14	0.15	0.08	0.06	0.08
15	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.25	0.12	0.14	0.31	0.08	0.09
16	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.31	0.20	0.25	0.67	0.08	0.11
17	0.37	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.31	0.25	0.28	0.08	0.08	0.08
18	1.3	0.28	0.38	0.20	0.20	0.20	0.28	0.25	0.26	7.0	0.06	0.35
19	0.31	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.18	0.20	0.28	0.23	0.25	0.16	0.08	0.11
20	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.16	0.19	0.25	0.10	0.18	0.08	0.06	0.07
21	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.18	0.16	0.16	0.10	0.08	0.10	0.08	0.06	0.06
22	0.28	0.28	0.28	0.18	0.16	0.16	0.10	0.08	0.10	0.06	0.06	0.06
23	0.28	0.25	0.28	0.51	0.18	0.19	1.0	0.10	0.13	0.06	0.05	0.06
24	0.28	0.25	0.26	0.18	0.16	0.17	8.4	0.10	0.48	0.06	0.06	0.06
25	0.28	0.25	0.26	0.18	0.16	0.16	0.23	0.14	0.16	0.10	0.06	0.06
26	0.63	0.25	0.29	0.51	0.16	0.19	0.14	0.12	0.13	0.08	0.06	0.06
27	0.82	0.25	0.30	0.20	0.16	0.18	0.14	0.12	0.12	4.3	0.06	0.28
28	0.28	0.25	0.26	0.18	0.16	0.16	0.14	0.12	0.13	0.08	0.06	0.08
29	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.14	0.12	0.14	0.08	0.06	0.07
30	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.16	0.12	0.13	0.08	0.06	0.07
31	0.25	0.25	0.25	---	---	---	0.14	0.12	0.12	0.10	0.06	0.08
Month	2.5	0.25	0.32	1.2	0.16	0.21	8.4	0.08	0.16	7.0	0.05	0.10

Appendix Table A1. Maximum, minimum, and mean daily streamflow values for calendar year 2002 at Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.—Continued

[Values are in cubic feet per second; ---, no data; e, estimated]

Day	September			October			November			December		
	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean	Maximum	Minimum	Mean
1	0.10	0.08	0.08	0.67	0.40	0.66	0.40	0.37	0.40	0.47	0.44	0.45
2	0.08	0.08	0.08	0.67	0.63	0.63	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.47	0.44	0.45
3	0.10	0.06	0.08	0.63	0.59	0.63	0.40	0.37	0.40	0.47	0.44	0.44
4	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.67	0.63	0.66	0.40	0.40	0.40	0.51	0.44	0.45
5	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.67	0.63	0.63	2.3	0.40	0.71	1.0	0.51	0.70
6	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.63	0.59	0.61	0.59	0.37	0.43	0.51	0.44	0.46
7	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.59	0.59	0.59	0.40	0.37	0.38	0.44	0.40	0.43
8	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.59	0.51	0.57	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.44	0.40	0.41
9	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.55	0.51	0.53	0.55	0.37	0.38	0.40	0.40	0.40
10	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.98	0.51	0.59	0.82	0.44	0.50	2.1	0.40	0.60
11	0.06	0.05	0.06	0.63	0.55	0.58	4.3	0.51	1.1	2.5	0.59	0.87
12	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.55	0.55	0.55	1.5	0.51	0.80	0.59	0.51	0.52
13	0.12	0.06	0.07	0.55	0.51	0.55	0.55	0.47	0.51	2.0	0.51	1.0
14	1.7	0.06	0.22	0.55	0.51	0.54	0.51	0.44	0.47	0.72	0.55	0.60
15	1.0	0.16	0.41	2.2	0.51	1.1	1.8	0.44	0.58	0.55	0.51	0.52
16	0.16	0.10	0.13	2.5	0.82	1.2	1.8	0.72	1.0	0.51	0.51	0.51
17	0.10	0.10	0.10	0.82	0.67	0.73	0.98	0.55	0.70	0.51	0.47	0.50
18	0.10	0.08	0.09	0.67	0.63	0.67	0.59	0.55	0.55	0.51	0.47	0.48
19	0.08	0.06	0.08	0.67	0.55	0.61	0.55	0.51	0.54	5.4	0.47	0.95
20	2.3	0.06	0.31	0.55	0.47	0.52	0.55	0.51	0.52	4.2	0.63	1.1
21	1.5	0.20	0.43	0.47	0.40	0.45	0.67	0.55	0.59	0.63	0.55	0.59
22	4.7	0.16	0.73	0.40	0.34	0.38	0.55	0.51	0.54	0.59	0.55	0.55
23	0.34	0.14	0.20	0.37	0.34	0.36	0.51	0.51	0.51	0.55	0.51	0.55
24	0.14	0.11	0.13	0.37	0.34	0.36	0.51	0.47	0.49	5.0	0.55	1.6
25	1.6	0.11	0.23	0.63	0.34	0.42	0.51	0.47	0.50	1.2	0.77	0.88
26	9.7	0.67	1.7	0.40	0.37	0.39	0.51	0.47	0.50	0.77	0.72	0.74
27	9.7	0.82	3.1	0.37	0.37	0.37	0.51	0.47	0.48	0.72	0.72	0.72
28	0.82	0.47	0.59	0.55	0.37	0.41	0.47	0.47	0.47	0.72	0.67	0.71
29	0.51	0.44	0.47	0.51	0.40	0.44	0.47	0.44	0.47	0.72	0.67	0.72
30	0.44	0.40	0.42	0.47	0.40	0.45	0.47	0.44	0.47	0.72	0.67	0.70
31	---	---	---	0.44	0.40	0.40	---	---	---	3.3	0.67	0.89
Month	9.7	0.05	0.34	2.5	0.34	0.57	4.3	0.37	0.54	5.4	0.40	0.66

Appendix Table A2. Water-level data from shallow wells and piezometers at the Mt. Pisgah campground, Haywood County, North Carolina.

[Values are in feet; USGS, U.S. Geological Survey; ft, feet; msl, mean sea level; >, greater than]

Well 1; USGS site no. 352419082451901; County no. HW-66						
Depth = 3.33 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,873.4 ft (above msl); 36.4 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,877.04 ft (above msl); 40.07 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point to land surface = 3.65 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/28/02	1554	0.42	4.07	36.00	4,872.97	
01/30/02	1325	0.32	3.97	36.10	4,873.07	
01/31/02	1307	0.48	4.13	35.94	4,872.91	
03/13/02	1322	0.57	4.22	35.85	4,872.82	
04/10/02	1220	0.48	4.13	35.94	4,872.91	
04/23/02	1605	0.62	4.27	35.80	4,872.77	
06/13/02	0953	2.59	6.24	33.83	4,870.80	
09/11/02	1252	Dry	Dry	Dry	Dry	
09/24/02	1201	Dry; >2.99	>6.64	Dry	Dry	
10/22/02		0.73	4.38	35.69	4,872.66	
03/06/03	1027	0.36	4.01	36.06	4,873.03	
Well 2; USGS site no. 352421082452301; County no. HW-67						
Depth = 5.08 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,857.0 ft (above msl); 20.0 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,858.95 ft (above msl); 21.98 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point to land surface = 2.00 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/29/02	0930	3.08	5.08	16.90	4,853.87	
01/30/02	1318	3.22	5.22	16.76	4,853.73	
01/31/02	1220	3.19	5.19	16.79	4,853.76	
03/13/02	1318	2.76	4.76	17.22	4,854.19	
04/10/02	1217	2.54	4.54	17.44	4,854.41	
04/23/02	1545	3.03	5.03	16.95	4,853.92	
04/24/02	1423	3.09	5.09	16.89	4,853.86	
06/13/02	0955	3.41	5.41	16.57	4,853.54	
09/11/02	1252	4.18	6.18	15.80	4,852.77	
09/24/02	1355	3.01	5.01	16.97	4,853.94	Before purging.
10/22/02		2.72	4.72	17.26	4,854.23	
03/06/03	1027	1.43	3.43	18.55	4,855.52	

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Well 3; USGS site no. 352422082452001; County no. HW-68						
Depth = 2.66 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,854.2 ft (above msl); 17.2 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,856.25 ft (above msl); 19.28 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point to land surface = 2.05 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/29/02	1500	1.74	3.79	15.49	4,852.46	
01/30/02		0.12	2.17	17.11	4,854.08	
01/31/02	1340	0.11	2.16	17.12	4,854.09	
03/13/02	1330	0.26	2.31	16.97	4,853.94	
04/10/02	1225	0.12	2.17	17.11	4,854.08	
04/23/02	1644	0.21	2.26	17.02	4,853.99	
06/13/02	0948	0.19	2.24	17.04	4,854.01	
09/11/02	1230	0.43	2.48	16.80	4,853.77	
09/24/02	1310	0.31	2.36	16.92	4,853.89	Before purging.
10/22/02		0.09	2.14	17.14	4,854.11	
03/06/03	1023	0.12	2.17	17.11	4,854.08	
Well 4; USGS site no. 352423082452001; County no. HW-69						
Depth = 3.90 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,856.2 ft (above msl); 19.2 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,859.31 ft (above msl); 22.34 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point to land surface = 3.10 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/29/02	1045	1.45	4.55	17.79	4,854.76	
01/30/02	1330	1.55	4.65	17.69	4,854.66	
01/31/02	1250	1.54	4.64	17.70	4,854.67	
03/13/02	1327	1.76	4.86	17.48	4,854.45	
04/10/02	1227	1.65	4.75	17.59	4,854.56	
04/23/02	1632	1.67	4.77	17.57	4,854.54	
06/13/02	0950	1.75	4.85	17.49	4,854.46	
09/11/02	1228	1.70?	4.80?	17.54?	4,854.46	
09/24/02	1245	1.70	4.80	17.54	4,854.51	Before purging.
10/22/02		1.45	4.55	17.79	4,854.76	
03/06/03	1020	1.37	4.47	17.87	4,854.84	

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Well 5; USGS site no. 352423082452501; County no. HW-70						
Depth = 2.78 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,851.9 ft (above msl); 14.9 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,854.29 ft (above msl); 17.32 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point to land surface = 2.40 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/30/02		0.20	2.60	14.72	4,851.69	
01/31/02		0.13	2.53	14.79	4,851.76	
03/13/02	1313	0.13	2.53	14.79	4,851.76	
04/10/02	1212	1.04	3.44	13.88	4,850.85	
04/23/02	1529	0.14	2.54	14.78	4,851.75	
04/24/02	1407	0.10	2.50	14.82	4,851.79	
06/13/02	1000	0.29	2.69	14.63	4,851.60	
09/11/02	1300	0.87	3.27	14.05	4,851.02	
09/24/02	1117	0.19	2.59	14.73	4,851.70	Before purging.
10/22/02		-0.05	2.35	14.97	4,851.94	
03/06/03	1031	-0.03	2.37	14.95	4,851.92	
Well 6; USGS site no. 352426082452001; County no. HW-71						
Depth = 3.79 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,851.0 ft (above msl); 14.0 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,852.26 ft (above msl); 15.29 ft in gage datum						
Measuring point to land surface = 1.30 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/29/02	1140	0.27	1.57	13.72	4,850.69	
01/30/02		0.00	1.30	13.99	4,850.96	
01/31/02	1255	0.05	1.35	13.94	4,850.91	
03/13/02	1345	0.09	1.39	13.90	4,850.87	
04/10/02	1232	0.03	1.33	13.96	4,850.93	
04/23/02	1714	0.11	1.41	13.88	4,850.85	
06/13/02	0945	0.19	1.49	13.80	4,850.77	
09/11/02	1215	2.25	3.55	11.74	4,848.71	
09/24/02	1215	0.29	1.59	13.70	4,850.67	Before purging.
10/22/02		0.05	1.35	13.94	4,850.91	
03/06/03	1015	0.19	1.49	13.80	4,850.77	

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Well 7; USGS site no. 352428082452601; County no. HW-72						
Depth = 6.40 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,845.7 ft (above msl); 8.7 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,848.25 ft (above msl); 11.28 ft in gage datum						
Measuring point to land surface = 2.60 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/28/02		4.27	6.87	4.41	4,841.38	
01/30/02	1240	4.83	7.43	3.85	4,840.82	
01/31/02	1235	4.89	7.49	3.79	4,840.76	
03/13/02	1300	4.35	6.95	4.33	4,841.30	
04/10/02	1200	4.58	7.18	4.10	4,841.07	
04/23/02	1457	5.18	7.78	3.50	4,840.47	
06/13/02	0940	5.40	8.00	3.28	4,840.25	
09/11/02	1200	5.92	8.52	2.76	4,839.73	
09/24/02	1020	4.26	6.86	4.42	4,841.39	Before purging.
10/22/02		4.94	7.54	3.74	4,840.71	
03/06/03	1041	2.83	5.43	5.85	4,842.82	
Piezometer A; USGS site no. 352425082452401; County no. HW-73						
Depth = 1.18 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,848.5 ft (above msl); 11.5 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,849.19 ft (above msl); 12.22 ft in gage datum						
Measuring point to land surface = 0.75 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/30/02		0.59	1.34	10.88	4,847.85	
01/31/02		0.64	1.39	10.83	4,847.80	
03/13/02	1310	0.08	0.83	11.39	4,848.36	
04/10/02	1210	-0.15	0.60	11.62	4,848.59	
04/23/02		0.89	1.64	10.58	4,847.55	
06/13/02		1.05	1.80	10.42	4,847.39	
09/11/02		1.15	1.90	10.32	4,847.29	
03/06/03	1037	0.11	0.86	11.36	4,848.33	

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Piezometer B; USGS site no. 352425082452301; County no. HW-74						
Depth not measured; less than 2 ft below land surface						
Land surface elevation = 4,847.9 ft (above msl); 10.9 ft (gage datum)						
Measuring point elevation = 4,848.63 ft (above msl); 11.66 ft in gage datum						
Measuring point to land surface = 0.75 ft						
Date	Time	Water level below land surface	Water level below measuring point	Water surface (in gage datum)	Water surface elevation (msl)	Remarks
01/30/02		0.34	1.09	10.57	4,847.54	
01/31/02	1325	0.40	1.15	10.51	4,847.48	
03/13/02	1311	-0.26	0.49	11.17	4,848.14	
04/10/02	1211	-0.53	0.22	11.44	4,848.41	
06/13/02		0.08	0.83	10.83	4,847.80	
09/11/02		0.46	1.21	10.45	4,847.42	
03/06/03	1037	0.32	1.07	10.59	4,847.56	